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Group B Public Water Systems

Chapter 246-291 WAC

June 2012

ACTIVITY	ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE	DATE COMPLETED
State Board of Health (SBOH) decision to consider rulemaking	April 11, 2007	April 11, 2007
File CR101	July 5, 2007	July 5, 2007
On-going workgroup meetings and stakeholder work	September 2008	September 2008
SBOH briefing	November 2008	November 2008
SBOH briefing following 2009 legislative session	July 2009	July 2009
Department of Health internal workgroup draft rule language	Ongoing	Ongoing
Gather stakeholder and interested parties recommendations	October 2010	October 2010
SBOH Environmental Committee briefing	May 2011	May 2011
Local Environmental Health Directors Meeting	October 2011	October 2011
Finalize draft rule	December 2011	December 2011
Prepare Significant Analysis and Small Business Impact Statement	Summer 2012	
SBOH briefing	June 13, 2012	
File CR 102	August 15, 2012	
SBOH public hearing	October 10, 2012	
Prepare Concise Explanatory Statement	November 1, 2012	
File CR 103	November 27, 2012	
Effective Date	January 1, 2013	

Purpose

A CR-101 was filed on July 5, 2007 to consider changes to the Group B water system rules and develop a regulatory framework that addresses budget restrictions while protecting public health. The State Board of Health (the Board) is also considering modifying Group B water system design standards and revising water quality standards, including the maximum arsenic contaminant level, to be consistent with Group A water system rules.

Recent Issues and Activities

Staffers are finalizing the significant analysis and small business economic impact statement.

Staffers will brief the Board on June 13, 2012 and request approval to file a CR-102 for a public hearing in October.

Next Steps

If approved by the Board, staffers will prepare the CR-102 packet for a public hearing on October 10, 2012.

For detailed information about the Group B rule revision process and related timelines, please see

http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/dw/Our_Main_Pages/regula.htm

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